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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS COMPLAINT ~~AGAINST THE~~
US: PUERTO RICAN "NATIONALIST" PRISONERS

1. MISSION RECEIVED JUNE 22 AN UNDATED COMMUNICATION, RECEIVED IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS DIVISION IN "JUNE 1979", CONCERNING HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH REFERS TO THE UNITED STATES. THE COMMUNICATION IS A PETITION SUBMITTED BY THE "NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE FREEDOM OF PUERTO RICAN NATIONALIST PRISONERS (PUERTO RICO)" AND THE "NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO FREE THE FOUR PUERTO RICAN PRISONERS OF WAR (UNITED STATES)", OF "CHARGES AND DOCUMENTATION" OF ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST IMPRISONED PUERTO RICAN NATIONALIST LEBRON, MIRANDA, RODRIGUEZ, COLLAZO, AND CORDERO FOR PRESENTATION TO THE UN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. THE PETITION IS A LENGTHY (44 PAGES PLUS ANNEXES) PRESENTATION ARGUING THAT US AUTHORITY OVER PUERTO RICO

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IS ILLEGAL, PETITIONERS WERE WAGING A JUST STRUGGLE, WERE UNFAIRLY TRIED, ARE INHUMANELY TREATED, HAVE EXHAUSTED ALL REMEDIES, AND REQUESTS THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION TO "CONDUCT A FULL INQUIRY INTO THE ACCUSATIONS" AND CALLS FOR CONDEMNATION OF THE USG FOR "THEIR REFUSAL TO GRANT PETITIONERS' RELEASE". THE APPENDECIES INCLUDE INTER ALIA CONTELPRO DOCUMENTS ON SURVEILLANCE AND HARRASSEMENT OF PUERTO RICAN "NATIONALISTS" AND COPIES OF RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE PR SENATE AND HOUSE CALLING FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PETITIONERS.

3. THE SUBJECTS OF THIS COMPLAINT ARE THE SAME ONES AS CONTAINED IN THE BLACK LAWYERS COMPLAINT (GENEVA 8551), BUT THE PETITION CONTAINS MORE DETAILED AND ADDITIONAL, IF EXTRANEOUS, ARGUMENTATION. MISSION BELIEVES THAT MATERIAL PREPARED FOR THE PRIOR COMPLAINT SHOULD SUFFICE FOR THIS ONE, WITH ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO EXCLUDE FOR

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CONSIDERATION IN THE HRC WHAT IS NOT THE COMPETENCE OF THE HRC, NAMELY THE QUESTION OF THE STATUS OF US-PUERTO RICAN RELATIONSHIPS.

4. MISSION HAS ATTEMPTED TO URGE THE HRC TO SEND COMPLAINTS ON A TIMELY BASIS IN ORDER THAT WE MIGHT HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO DEVELOP OUR RESPONSE. WHILE THE HRD ASSURES US THEY HAVE FORWARDED EVERYTHING RECEIVED TO DATE OF SIGNIFICANCE, THEY COULD NOT ASSURE US THAT COMPLAINTS WOULD NOT BE RECEIVED BETWEEN NOW AND THE CUT-CFF DATE OF JUNE 30.

5. MISSION FORWARDED A COPY OF THE COMPLAINT VIA CSANAD TOTH FOR DELIVERY JUNE 25 TO IO/HR HEWITT.

VANDEN HEUVEL

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